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terminated by the courts and many new questions have arisen and been passed upon. Furthermore, during the period mentioned, there has been a marked change in governmental policy evidenced by the various national conservation measures.

This work is broad in its scope and systematically arranged. Titles I and II are introductory; in them the author devotes a few pages to the mining laws of foreign countries and gives a historical review of the development of the present system of mining law in this country, pointing out its elements of weakness and strength. The balance of the text outlines the method to be followed in acquiring and perfecting rights to mineral lands of the public domain (including coal, oil and gas, as well as the metallic minerals) and treats of the multitudinous questions incidental to the ownership and working thereof. Footnotes containing references to decisions and Federal and State statutes are given throughout the text.

Throughout, the volumes indicate exhaustive study and research. Substantially all of the questions that may give rise to disputes are treated thoroughly and systematically. The discussion and analysis of decisions is excellent and the author's conclusions are in every instance reached by clear and logical reasoning, supported by the authorities. Moreover, the work is not limited in its usefulness to any particular state, but is general in its scope; decisions, local district rules and statutes are given from all of the States and Territories containing public domain lands, and the text treats all localities with equal fullness.

Since the appearance of the first edition of this work, it has been considered one of the leading authorities on the subject; this revision was urgently required by the development of and changes in the law, and will unquestionably be very welcome to members of the profession engaged in the practice of mining law.

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